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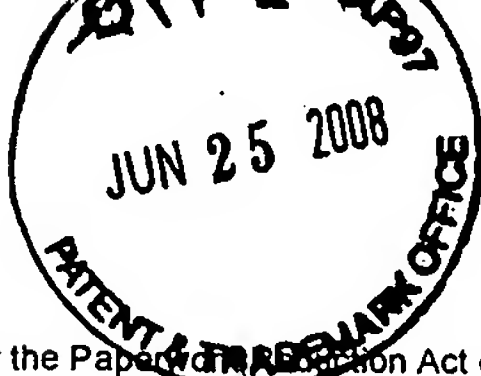
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) FY 2008 (Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).)		Docket Number (Optional) 51938																									
Application Number 10/591,041		Filed August 29, 2006																									
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Art Unit 4156		Examiner A. H. Chaudry																									
<p>This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.</p> <p>The requested extension and fee are as follows (check time period desired and enter the appropriate fee below):</p> <table><thead><tr><th></th><th><u>Fee</u></th><th><u>Small Entity Fee</u></th><th></th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))</td><td>\$120</td><td>\$60</td><td>\$ 120</td></tr><tr><td><input type="checkbox"/> Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))</td><td>\$460</td><td>\$230</td><td>\$</td></tr><tr><td><input type="checkbox"/> Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))</td><td>\$1050</td><td>\$525</td><td>\$</td></tr><tr><td><input type="checkbox"/> Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))</td><td>\$1640</td><td>\$820</td><td>\$</td></tr><tr><td><input type="checkbox"/> Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))</td><td>\$2230</td><td>\$1115</td><td>\$</td></tr></tbody></table> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number <u>18-2220</u>. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.</p> <p>WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.</p> <p>I am the <input type="checkbox"/> applicant/inventor.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71. Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed (Form PTO/SB/96).</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> attorney or agent of record. Registration Number <u>28,770</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34. Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34 _____</p> <p><u>Mark S. Bicks</u> June 24, 2008 Signature Date</p> <p><u>Mark S. Bicks</u> (202) 659-9076 Typed or printed name Telephone Number</p> <p>NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Total of _____ forms are submitted.</p>					<u>Fee</u>	<u>Small Entity Fee</u>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))	\$120	\$60	\$ 120	<input type="checkbox"/> Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))	\$460	\$230	\$	<input type="checkbox"/> Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))	\$1050	\$525	\$	<input type="checkbox"/> Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))	\$1640	\$820	\$	<input type="checkbox"/> Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))	\$2230	\$1115	\$
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Effective on 12/08/2004.
Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).**FEE TRANSMITTAL**
For FY 2008☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$)

120

Complete if Known

Application Number	10/591,041
Filing Date	August 29, 2006
First Named Inventor	Volkmar KLEIN
Examiner Name	A. H. Chaudry
Art Unit	4156
Attorney Docket No.	51938

METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply)☒ Check ☐ Credit Card ☐ Money Order ☐ None ☐ Other (please identify): _____☒ Deposit Account Deposit Account Number: 18-2220 Deposit Account Name: _____

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FEE CALCULATION**1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES**

Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	310	155	510	255	210	105	
Design	210	105	100	50	130	65	
Plant	210	105	310	155	160	80	
Reissue	310	155	510	255	620	310	
Provisional	210	105	0	0	0	0	

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES**Fee Description**

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
50	25

Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)

210	105
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Multiple dependent claims

370	185
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Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
12	- 20 or HP = 0	x 50 =	0

HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20.

Indep. Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
1	- 3 or HP = 0	x 210 =	0

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Multiple Dependent Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)

3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE

If the specification and drawings exceed 100 sheets of paper (excluding electronically filed sequence or computer listings under 37 CFR 1.52(e)), the application size fee due is \$260 (\$130 for small entity) for each additional 50 sheets or fraction thereof. See 35 U.S.C. 41(a)(1)(G) and 37 CFR 1.16(s).

Total Sheets	Extra Sheets	Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
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4. OTHER FEE(S)

Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)

Fees Paid (\$)

Other (e.g., late filing surcharge): 1-Month Extension of Time

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SUBMITTED BY

Signature		Registration No. (Attorney/Agent) 28,770	Telephone (202) 659-9076
Name (Print/Type)	Mark S. Bicks		Date June 24, 2008

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